

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, the tolling of the Liberty Bell at Independence Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at two o'clock in the afternoon of July 4, 1776, proclaimed the signing of the Declaration of Independence; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this historic document marked the birth of the United States of America as a free and independent nation; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the anniversary of this great event should be observed at the same moment of its occurrence two hundred thirty years ago; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence should be recognized each year by the ringing of the Liberty Bell on the 4th of July;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the acknowledgement on July 4th, 2005, of the

NATIONAL BELL RINGING CEREMONY LET FREEDOM RING

in Idaho.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-second day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and five and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fifteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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